

Big Tunisia Push Started

Our Daily Bread

Sliced Thin by The Editor
—ALEX. H. WASHBURN—

Mr. Ickes
Mother-Knows-Best

Instead of making him Secretary of Labor, President Roosevelt has decided to leave Harold Ickes in his present post as Secretary of the Interior and give him additional authority over oil and gas rationing. All we can say is, this is a good break for labor—which is a reverse way of saying that it won't be long now before trouble breaks out in the rationing business.

U. S. Loses Five Ships in North Africa Landings

Washington, Dec. 3 —(AP)— The Navy Department announced today that five United States naval transports were lost during the occupation of North Africa by United States forces.

Three other transports, one destroyer, and one tanker were damaged during the operation.

The transports sunk were listed in the communiqué as the Tasker H. Bliss, the Hugh L. Scott, and the Edward Rutledge, which were sunk off Casablanca; the Joseph Hewes, sunk off Rabat; and the Ledestown, sunk off Algiers.

The early morning communiqué said the next of kin of personnel killed, wounded, or missing were being notified by telegram.

The names of the damaged vessels were not disclosed.

Communicé number 209, follows: (about 100):

Africa:

"1. The following United States naval transports were lost during the early part of November as a result of enemy submarine torpedoes during the occupation of North Africa by United States forces.

"(A) The Tasker H. Bliss, Hugh L. Scott and the Edward Rutledge were sunk off Casablanca.

"(B) The Joseph Hewes was sunk off Rabat.

"(C) The Ledestown was sunk off Algiers.

Three other United States transports and one U. S. destroyer and one U. S. tanker were damaged during the operation.

"3. The next of kin of personnel killed, wounded, or missing are being notified by telegram as soon as information is received."

This was the Navy's first communiqué on operations in the North African area.

There was no mention of the possible number of men lost.

The communiqué identified the Tasker H. Bliss as the former liner President Cleveland, converted by the Navy September 15, 1942. Her gross tonnage was 12,568.

The Ledestown formerly was the Santa Lucia, converted at the Cramp Shipbuilding Company, Philadelphia, in September, 1942. She had a gross tonnage of 8,135.

The Hugh L. Scott, formerly the President Pierce, had a gross tonnage of 12,579. She was converted at the Todd Shipbuilding and Dry Dock Company, Hoboken, N. J., and commissioned by the Navy last September.

London, Dec. 3 —(AP)— The British aircraft carrier Avenger, three destroyers and five lighter vessels were among Allied naval losses in the North African landings. A. V. Alexander, first lord of the admiralty announced today.

Alexander said the British destroyers Brook and Martin and the Netherlands destroyer Isaac Sweers were lost, along with the Avenger, two cutters, a sloop, a minesweeper and an anti-aircraft ship.

The Avenger is not listed in Jane's director and Naval sources declined to identify her further. It is possible that she was a converted merchant ship.

The Allied Naval losses were considerably smaller than expected, Alexander reported in a statement to the House of Commons. He said they were "far less than the enemy claimed."

A naval escort for the vast operations included Canadian corvettes and Polish, Dutch and Norwegian units as well as British and American craft.

British Sink 6 Axis Vessels Off Tunisia

London, Dec. 3 —(AP)— Four Axis merchant ships and two escorting destroyers were sunk in the Mediterranean while bound for Tunisia in a spirited engagement with light British Naval forces the night of Dec. 1, the admiralty announced today.

The British destroyer Quentin later was sunk during an attack by enemy divebombers and torpedo-carrying aircraft, the announcement said.

The Naval force participating in the assault on the Axis convoy included three cruisers and was under the command of Rear Admiral C. H. I. Harcourt.

OPA, Federal Bureaus Targets of U. S. Congress

—Washington

By WILLIAM F. ARBOGAST

Washington, Dec. 3 —(AP)— Government bureaus in general and the Office of Price Administration in particular found themselves the targets today of a congressional drive to retrieve some of the powers delegated in recent years to the executive arm of the government.

A definite "get Leon Henderson" movement was under way, with Democratic house members, mostly from the South, joining in a chorus of criticism of the price administrator.

Republicans kept on the sidelines, but influential minority members said they were ready to join in a campaign, expected to reach a climax early in the next Congress, to shakedown Henderson, if not all, of his authority and to apply a legislative squeeze on other emergency bureaus.

"We are suffering from a severe case of federalitis," said Representative Barden (D-NC) in one of several attacks in the House yesterday on what most of the speakers referred to as "the bureaucrats."

Barden drew a applause from Democrats and Republicans alike when he suggested that if the heads of federal bureaus refuse to heed the warnings of congress, "let them feel us."

"Somebody down there," he asserted, referring to OPA, "wants to get the American people in the habit of crawling to him on their hands and knees and asking for something, even if it's only a blank sheet of paper."

Arkansan Dies in Crash of Army Plane

Greenville, Tex., Dec. 3 —(AP)— Second Lieut. William A. Reed, 25, of Greenville, Ark., died in the crash of his plane after a mid-air collision with a British flying training school at Terrell, Tex., last night.

Pilot Reed and Radioman Toombs were on a routine night flight from majors Army air field near Greenville.

Lt. Col. Ralph C. Rockwood, director of training at Majors field, said in announcing the accident that the British plane crashed with a British flying school plane.

The British plane made a crash landing after half the landing gear was ripped off by the Majors field plane. The latter crashed three miles southeast of Terrell and was demolished.

George T. Derrick of Dallas, pilot of the British plane, was not injured. Co-pilot Marshall E. Callender of Columbia, Mo., received a cut over the eye.

Toombs, 20, an electrician with the Southwest Bell Telephone Co. before entering the service in September, was the son of Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Toombs of 1303 Franklin Little Rock, Ark.

A board of officers was appointed to investigate the accident.

Japs Claim Large U. S. Battleship Sunk

Tokyo (From Japanese Broadcasts) Dec. 3 —(AP)— Imperial headquarters announced today the sinking of an Allied battleship, a cruiser of the Augusta class and two destroyers on the night of Nov. 30 off Guadalcanal in the Solomon Islands.

(The Japanese claims were not confirmed by any Allied sources.)

The Japanese asserted they also had set fire to two other Allied destroyers, and acknowledged the loss of one of their own.

Flashes of Life

By The Associated Press

Foot's Paradise

South Bend, Ind. — At least one middle westerner was happy about gasoline rationing — temporarily.

A truck driver showed his cousin and asked for his quota, which the attendant pumped into his tank.

"Is oil free too?"

The attendant, Caesar Elbode, explained everything to the trucker, who left the station "sadder, but wiser."

Skeptic

Seattle, Wash. — "This is a hold-up," said a man entering a women's clothing store.

"I don't believe it," replied Mrs. Arthur H. Bewell, an employee.

She calmly walked to the telephone and called police.

Her visitor left.

Winter Folly

Albuquerque — The war has brought a thirst for the white man's

Bulletins

EQUADOR, VICH YBREAK

Quito, Ecuador, Dec. 3 —(AP)— Ecuador, whose president, Dr. Carlos Arroyo Del Rio, now is in the United States on a state visit, broke diplomatic relations last night with the Vichy government.

QUAKE IN CALIFORNIA

Tahoe, Calif., Dec. 3 —(AP)— An earthquake shook buildings here for approximately 30 seconds at 2:45 a.m. (PWT) today. No damage has been reported.

DEATH FOR LOOTING

London, Dec. 3 —(AP)— The German radio reported today that the death penalty had been invoked in Italy for persons caught looting — presumably in bombed areas.

BAN ON SERVANTS

Canberra, Australia, Dec. 3 —(AP)— Under a federal act issued today, no person may employ a domestic servant for more than 24 hours weekly without first obtaining a permit from the manpower authorities, except where a household includes three or more children.

ITALIANS LEAVE CITIES

London, Dec. 3 —(AP)— Reuters said today that the Roman radio broadcast an appeal by Premier Mussolini to all Italian mayors to "get to work with a minimum of delay on the evacuation of Italian cities."

RAF BUSY IN BURMA

New Delhi, Dec. 3 —(AP)— Blenheim bombers of the RAF, escorted by fighter planes, successfully attacked the Japanese airbase at Mingwe, Burma, yesterday, scoring hits on the main runway and dispersal bays, a British communiqué announced today.

QUAKE IN NEW ZEALAND

London, Dec. 3 —(AP)— For the time within six months the city and province of Wellington, New Zealand, was shaken yesterday by a major earthquake shock. Reuters reported today in a Wellington dispatch. No mention was made of damage or casualties.

NAZI REPORT ARRESTS

Berlin (From German Broadcasts) Dec. 3 —(AP)— The Berlin radio quoted a Vichy announcement today as saying that French police had arrested 160 persons "in their fight against communism and British agitation."

Unable to Find Unidentified Ships Near U. S.

San Francisco, Dec. 3 —(AP)— The 12th Navy district said today that "a large number of unidentified surface vessels" had been reported 450 miles off the coast of California, but that a thorough search of the area "failed to confirm their presence."

"Presumably the order broadcast before dawn today for fleet personnel to return to their ships was based on this report."

The Navy's statement follows: "A large number of unidentified surface vessels was reported by naval patrol at dusk on the second of December on an easterly course, 450 miles off the coast of California."

"Since the presence of such a force would constitute a serious hazard to the west coast, every effort was made by Army and Navy aircraft to verify the report. We were alerted and steps taken to intercept any enemy forces."

"A thorough search of the area concerned failed to confirm the presence of any unidentified vessels and the report is considered in error."

The statement was issued by Vice Admiral John W. Greenleaf, commander of the western sea frontier.

Starting at 4 a. m., radio stations had broadcast orders to fleet personnel to report at once to their ships.

Black wool generally sells at a lower price than white wool.

Japs Thwarted in Attempt to Reinforce Men

—War in Pacific

By C. YATES MC DANIEL

Allied Headquarters in Australia Dec. 3 —(AP)— General Douglas MacArthur's air forces supported ground troops closing in on the Buna-Gona area on the New Guinea coast have smashed new Japanese attempts to land reinforcements in a 12-hour running battle with four Japanese destroyers and their screen of fighter planes.

The Allied planes knocked 23 enemy fighters out of the air as they carried the attack to sea, forcing the destroyers to withdraw without materially aiding their hard-pressed forces on the shallow beachhead ringed by Allied ground troops.

The planes also kept up low level attacks on Japanese ground positions between Buna and Gona.

Brief reports from Allied airmen described the night fight in the air as "a great fireworks display with enemy warships shooting rockets to illuminate the Allied aircraft."

The destroyers and their fighter screen were sighted in mid-afternoon Tuesday coming from the coast of New Britain.

Flying Fortresses roared to the attack and were engaged by the Japanese fighters. North American B-25 came in and made a direct hit on one destroyer but the flotilla continued its zigzag way towards New Guinea.

By nightfall, the Japanese vessels were approaching the capitan and the Allied fleet began to pound them anew, bombing and gunning the destroyers and small craft which were seen at one point clustered around the warships. The withdrawal followed.

Marines Wipe Out 55 More Jap Soldiers

Washington, Dec. 3 —(AP)— Marine patrols attacking enemy forces on Guadalcanal have wiped out another 55 Japanese in the Solomon Islands and captured a quantity of arms and ammunition, the Navy announced today.

Navy aircraft continued to harass enemy positions on the island.

An attack by Marines on a patrol of 60 Japanese near the upper Lunga river ended in killing 35 of the enemy and capture of some arms and ammunition. In another patrol encounter in the Matanikau river area 20 additional Japanese were killed.

The Navy announced the action in communiqué number 210, which follows:

"South Pacific (all dates are east longitude)

"1. On December 1: "(A) Army and Navy aircraft continued daylight attacks on enemy positions on Guadalcanal island.

"2. On December 2: "(A) United States Marines attacked a patrol of 60 Japanese near the upper Lunga river. Thirty-five of the enemy were killed and a quantity of arms and ammunition was captured.

"(B) In another encounter between United States and enemy patrols in the Matanikau area, 20 Japanese were killed."

Rev. J. E. Hamill Takes Church in Oklahoma

REV. J. E. HAMILL

The Rev. J. E. Hamill, for the past three and one-half years pastor of the Hope Gospel Tabernacle, announced his resignation Wednesday night, to accept the pastorate of the First Assembly of God Church, Okla. City.

Hamill's resignation becomes effective December 30, at which time

Red Ski Troops Drive Nazis Back at Moscow, Tighten Stalingrad Trap

—Europe

By EDDY GILMORE

Moscow, Dec. 3 —(AP)— White-clad Russian ski troops pressed the Nazi back on blizzard-swept battlefields west of Moscow today while between the Don and Volga the Red Army steadily closed the trap on Stalingrad's besiegers from recaptured heights northwest and southwest of the city.

Battlefront dispatches gave this account of the steadily mounting Russian winter drive:

South of Leningrad and west of Moscow the Germans were dying 1,000 a day as ski troopers armed with tommy guns clashed with Nazi Alpinist reinforcements in some of the fiercest fighting of the past two weeks amid snow-blanketed Nazi tanks and trucks, now often abandoned and frozen.

On the Stalingrad front the Germans were resisting savagely in a fight for life, and the Russian onslaught went into its third week slowed but unstoppered.

A communiqué said Soviet troops stormed and held another strategic height northwest of the city. This, with the height southwest of Stalingrad which was recaptured yesterday as a field of fire over at least part of the German corridor of escape or reinforcement of Stalingrad.

The Germans rushed reinforcements into at least three key salients in a desperate effort to halt the Russian advance.

Strong forces of German Alpinists went into action east of Velikiye Luki. Other special units appeared south of Rzhev where the Germans were trying to regain control of vital sections of the Rzhev-Vyazma rail line. Reinforcements also stiffened the German defense outside Stalingrad between the Don and Volga.

Here and second sharpest battles of the whole front were shaping up. The Nazi "corridor" was being pinched from the northwest and southwest, along the banks of the Don.

Red Star reported a crossing on the Don in one place where the Russians won a hard-earned victory in a large-scale battle for a series of villages centering around Verkhne-Gulovskoy, all of which the Germans held with strong defense works and artillery.

This presumably was along the north side of the Nazi corridor where battlefield dispatches indicated that the German lines were in a bad way.

Most of the German reserves apparently were being thrown into action along the southern side of

U. S. Refiners to Discuss Gas Rationing

Kansas City, Dec. 3 —(AP)— Sen. Harry S. Truman (D-Mo) said today a subcommittee of his Senate investigating body would hold a session in Oklahoma city Friday morning to hear oil refiners and producers on gas and fuel oil rationing.

Truman said Sens. Carl A. Hatch of New Mexico and M. C. Wadsworth of Washington would conduct the hearing. Other members of the committee leave today for Washington.

Three days of testimony were written into the record of Truman's committee in Kansas City, concluding yesterday with Wirt Franklin, Oklahoma oil man now a member of Petroleum Coordinator Harold L. Ickes' staff in Washington.

Government witnesses yesterday told Truman's committee that there is a crude oil shortage in the United States but the figures are secret.

E. B. Swanson, director of research for the petroleum coordinator, testified crude oil in storage here declined more than 35,000,000 barrels in the past year, in the area east of the Rocky Mountains; he blamed transportation limitations and said the only way to make up the shortage is to reduce consumption.

Franklin said a slump in drilling and exploratory activities also was a major factor.

Mayor John B. Gage and earlier protesters of government fuel oil rationing declared that fuel oil is plentiful in this area and should not be rationed since coal and gas — the alternative fuels — are not plentiful.

California's population, growing through immigration and births, is approaching the 8,000,000 mark.

T. S. Perkison Closing Out Jewelry Store

T. S. Perkison, operating Perkison's Jewelry store, 218 South Walnut street, announced today he is liquidating the store to enter the armed forces.

The store's merchandise is now on sale, and the establishment will close as soon as the stock is disposed of.

Mr. Perkison and his family came to Hope in April, 1941, from Searcy, Ark., where he was a railroad timepiece inspector and did general watch repair work.

Aged Country Resident Dies Here Today

Mrs. Ida Estelle Robertson, 77, a resident of Hempstead county since 1918, died at a local hospital early today.

Funeral services will be held at 10 o'clock Friday morning at the Herndon-Cornelius Funeral home, with burial in Rose Hill Cemetery.

She is survived by three daughters, Mrs. W. T. Boyett of Beeville, Texas, Mrs. G. J. Cross of Camden and Mrs. Erle L. Archer of Hope; two sons, E. C. and H. A. Robertson of Hope and several grandchildren.

Palbearers: Roy Anderson, Hugh Jones, Dewey Hendrix, Syd McMath, Frank Douglas and Ed Thrash.

All Navy Men Ordered to Duty in Frisco

San Francisco, Dec. 3 —(AP)— A radio broadcast early today ordered all fleet personnel in the San Francisco area to report to their ships at once. Navy spokesmen, who said a broadcast was sanctioned did not disclose the reason for the order.

The radio order was broadcast at intervals during the morning, said "all naval fleet personnel, return to your ships immediately."

Neither Navy nor Army spokesmen had any official comment.

Police stopped Navy men on the streets and informed them of the order.

Mohair is the long, lustrous hair of the Angora goat.

Allies Tighten Trap on Axis at Bizerte, Tunis

—Africa

By ROGER D. GREENE

Associated Press War Editor

Lead by victorious American troops, the British First Army tightened a trap around Axis forces in the Bizerte-Tunis zone today while the British Royal Navy provided cover and pro-Ally French soldiers beat off another German counterattack at Pont de Fahs, 30 miles south of Tunis.

Frontline dispatches said a decisive battle for the two key Axis strongholds in Tunisia was apparently under way.

Allied siege columns were attacking less than a dozen miles from the Axis-held citadels, and a force striking southward toward Tunis from Medjez-El-Bah and another sector, 12 miles below Bizerte.

Heavy fighting was reported at Mateur.

Frontline correspondents reported that the Germans dropped 50 parachute troops disguised as Arabs in an attempt to delay the Allied capture of Tebourba, vital rail junction 20 miles west of Tunis, where American troops relayed a major role in smashing a big Nazi counterattack.

Allied troops quickly mopped up the masquerading enemy, however, and occupied the town at daybreak Saturday.

Allied headquarters said the Nazis suffered heavy losses in their unsuccessful counter blow at Tebourba, aimed at cutting off the Allied wedge now firmly driven between Bizerte and Tunis. The Berlin radio claimed the Germans recaptured Tebourba and destroyed 2 American tanks in the attack.

On the Libyan flank of the Allied vise, British headquarters again reported patrol clashes as Gen. Sir Bernard L. Montgomery's Eighth Army probed Axis defenses at El Agheila, where Nazi Field Marshal Erwin Rommel has entrenched his forces in a narrow corridor between salt marshes and the sea.

A British communiqué said Allied heavy bombers rained blows on Axis bases in Libya and Tunisia, attacking Tripoli, Bizerte and Gabes, and also sank a large south-bound tanker off Sicily.

While the Allied westward drive from Libya still paused near El Agheila, with only patrol activity around and slightly increased air activity, fiercest struggles apparently were being waged along the narrow arc of defenses which the Axis has dug out on all landward sides of Bizerte and Tunis.

A Berlin broadcast, attributed to authoritative Nazi sources, said German troops had recaptured the key communications point of Tebourba from American forces. This was the first enemy acknowledgment since the Axis had lost its Tebourba, and there was no confirmation from Allied reports of the recapture claim.

An Italian communiqué, reporting relative quiet on the Libyan front, said 200 British prisoners had been taken, including an entire parachute detachment, in Tunisia.

KANGAROS ARE LEAPERS

When traveling at full speed, kangaroos do not touch their front feet to the ground. They can bound 18 feet and clear an 11-foot barrier in a single jump.

18 SHOPPING DAYS TO Christmas

WAR BONDS • STAMPS

May Soon Get News of Another Victory in Solomons



Glenn Babb

(This column, conducted as a daily feature by DeWitt MacKenzie, is written today by Glenn Babb, Mr. MacKenzie, now touring the middle east war zone, is expected to resume shortly.)

The spotlight of the war may be shifting back to the southwest Pacific. Today's dispatches indicate that we probably will get our next news of major victory from the bloody beaches of New Guinea. And there seems to be new trouble brewing in the Solomons; at least Tokyo is on the air today with an unsubstantiated report of a successful Japanese Naval raid on our forces there.

For the past month, except for the brilliant mid-November interlude of the Naval battle off Guadalcanal, attention has been focused on North Africa and Russia. But the Allied successes there apparently have led into new, less exhilarating and spectacular phases of the two major campaigns, with the enemy reformed for battle and ready to slug it out.

General Montgomery apparently is almost ready to assault Rommel's new line at El Agheila, but the German is reported to have gathered together some 60,000 men and 200 or 300 tanks to defend that narrow gateway into Tripolitania. Montgomery may be confronted with a problem similar to that he solved so brilliantly at El Alamein, the cracking of a thoroughly prepared position by frontal attack, and this time his supply line is some 800 miles long instead of 80. General Eisenhower and Anderson likewise are up against a wily, stubborn defense at the other flank of the Axis' contracting African foothold. In Tunisia the Germans evidently have concentrated not merely stubborn holding strength but some striking power for the defense of the Tunis - Bizerte beachhead; they have counterattacked strongly in the Tebourba region and have made generally very heavy going for the British first army and its American supporting units. The Allied command there is up against extremely difficult problems of transport and supply and it may be several days before there is any major change in the battle lines.

The first impetus of the Russian offensives before Stalingrad and west of Moscow has largely spent itself. The Germans continue to yield ground west of the Volga city but more slowly, and while their position there remains one of extreme peril they may be able to hang on for weeks of exhausting, costly fighting for the city.

Put down on New Guinea General MacArthur's Australia - American jungle fighters seem to have brought their surge back from Port Moresby close to its triumphant end. Today's communique indicates that the Japanese have been thrust back into a narrow coastal area only a few miles long in which they face extermination. MacArthur's men have rolled them back from Gona, at the northern end of the 80-mile beach that curves away to the southeast to Buna. The Allied drive from the north is approaching Sanananda, about halfway between Gona and Buna, while the southern wing is infiltrating into Buna. A Naval convoy which may have represented the last hopes of the Japanese for escape, reinforcement or supply has just been driven off. The few thousands left on the beach, still fighting fanatically, probably no longer have a choice between a Dunkerque or

Market Report

NEW YORK STOCKS
New York, Dec. 3 —(P)—Stocks turned a trifle irregular in today's market after a morning push led by rails and favored industrials. Battle bulletins caused short-war talkers to revise their opinions considerably and profit cashing in many recently strong peace issues but these in the lower bracket. A number of lately unpopular armaments stocks, on the other hand, were bid up on the idea liquidation here may have been exaggerated.

Selective advancing tendencies were in evidence at the start and, at the best, gains ranged from fractions to more than a point. Tax selling waned but there still was sufficient to put brakes on any wide swing. While plus marks were well distributed in the final hour, declines were plentiful.

Dealings, fairly fast in the forenoon, slowed after mid-day and transfers for the full stretch were around 600,000 shares.

ST. LOUIS LIVESTOCK
National Stockyards, Ill., Dec. 3 —(P)—(U.S. Dept. Agr.)—Hogs, 13,000; weights 018lbs. upended 5 to 10 higher than average Wednesday; later bids steady 170 lbs. down; early bulk good and choice 180-270 lbs. 13.50 - 55; top 13.60; mostly for 180-220 lbs.; later bids 13.45 down; 140-160 lbs. 12.80-15.50; few 14.40; 100-130 lbs. 11.85-12.65; sows 13.00-25; stags 13.25 down.

Cattle, 4,000; calves, 1,500; opened generally steady; few medium grade steers 12.90 - 13.25; good to choice 15.50; medium and good heifers and mixed yearlings 11.00-13.00; common and medium cows 9.75-11.00; medium and good sausage bulls 10.50 - 12.00; vealers 25 lower; good and choice 15.20; medium and good 12.75-14.00; nominal range slaughter steers 10.75 - 16.50; slaughter heifers 9.50 - 15.75; stock slaughter heifers 9.50 - 15.75; stock sheep, 2,500; receipts practically all trucked in with 600 yearlings included; market not established.

POULTRY AND PRODUCE
Chicago, Dec. 3 —(P)—Poultry, live 15 trucks; firm; coons, 7 lb. up 32-32, under unchanged. 30, 12, slips 28, other unchanged.

Butter, receipts 423,663; firm; prices as quoted by the Chicago price current are unchanged.

Eggs, receipts 6,382; firm; prices unchanged.

GRAIN AND PROVISIONS
Chicago, Dec. 3 —(P)—Profit taking lowered grain prices fractions to more than a cent a bushel at times today but the market recovered much of the loss before the close as a result of mill buying and hedge lifting reflecting flour and cash corn sales.

House passage of legislation to

Corrected.
It is too early to say what may have happened in the channel between Guadalcanal and Tulagi in the Solomons on Monday night. The Japanese have rushed to the telephone to broadcast their version; these are tactics made familiar after the Coral Sea, Midway, Santa Cruz and November Solomons Naval battles. The Japanese broadcast their claims in the hope of having them accepted by their own people and their Allies before the American version is published. In those previous instances what Tokyo presented as Japanese victories turned out to be the most part to be disastrous defeats. Against that background we can read without alarm the Tokyo story of a raid by a "torpedo attack flotilla of Lunga," on Guadalcanal's north shore, in which American losses included a battleship, a cruiser and two destroyers. There probably has been a brush of some kind but we can withhold any attempt to assess the results until the American announcement is available.



IMPORTANT TRAIN SERVICE CHANGES

Made Necessary by War-Time Travel Conditions
New Schedules Effective Sunday, December 6th

New schedules of several important Missouri Pacific Lines trains will become effective next Sunday, December 6.

These changes are compelled by the increasingly heavy movement of war-time traffic. More and more travelers now go by train. Mail and express loads are heavier, too, and longer stops are needed at almost every station.

The schedule changes were planned to meet these conditions and are made with confidence that our patrons will understand and appreciate the need for them.

Trains affected are The Sunshine Special, The Texan and The Southerner between St. Louis, Arkansas and Texas; The Hot Springs Special between St. Louis and Arkansas; The Pioneer between Brownsville and Houston. Please visit or phone the Missouri Pacific ticket office for complete schedule information, before starting your next trip.

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RAF Renews Assaults on Nazi Bases

London, Dec. 3 —(P)—The RAF, renewing its night assaults on the Reich after a lapse of 10 days, struck last night at Frankfurt and several other objectives in Western Germany, the air ministry announced today.

Six aircraft were lost in the assault, said the announcement, which gave no indication of the size of the raiding force.

(Estimating that the losses were five per cent, however — a figure frequently used as an index in the past — this would mean that force of about 120 bombers was employed.)

The Berlin radio referred to the raids — the first on Germany by night since the attack on Stuttgart Nov. 22 — as "nuisance raids."

It was the RAF's 36th raid on Frankfurt, the last being that of Sept. 8 when a strong force of bombers gave its industrial plants a thorough blasting.

It was understood that last night's raiding force was not up to the strength which the air ministry calls "a strong force" and there were indications that the weather was unfavorable.

Aide of Saboteurs Given 45 Years

New York, Dec. 3 —(P)—Anthony Cramer, 42, Yorkville mechanic, convicted of treasonably aiding two of the eight Nazi saboteurs landed last June, yesterday was sentenced to 45 years in prison and fined \$10,000.

After sentence was imposed by Federal Judge Henry W. Goddard, defense counsel Harold Medina said he would appeal.

Possible maximum sentence was death. Judge Goddard said he would not impose the death penalty as recommended by U. S. Attorney Mathias Correa, because "it does not appear that Cramer was aware of the saboteurs, Werner Thiel and Edward J. Kerling, "were in possession of explosives or intended to destroy factories."

No Outside Work for Japs in Arkansas

Little Rock, Dec. 3 —(P)—Gov. Homer M. Adkins apparently closed the door today to any plan to give west coast and Hawaiian Japanese now confined to two southeast Arkansas relocation centers any outside employment.

Terminating the proposal "inadvisable and unwise," the chief executive refused today to approve a request by the military contractors for employment of 36 on the Norfolk Dam project on the White river in North Arkansas.

Under an agreement between the governor and federal officials, made before the move to the 16,000 Japanese were brought to this state by the war relocation authority, the Japanese are not allowed to work away from the centers without his approval.

Ulysses S. Grant Joins the Cavalry

Fort Riley, Kas., Dec. 3 —(P)—General Ulysses S. Grant, grandson, Ulysses S. Grant V, 22, has joined the cavalry and now is in order from a man whose grandparents served under Grant in the Civil War.

Young Grant, in training at the cavalry replacement training center on the Fort Riley reservation, came here from San Diego, Calif., because he likes horses and wants to emulate his father, Maj. Mat C. Grant, who retired two years ago. His paternal grandfather is Gen. John George, New Orleans, whose grandfathers both were Union soldiers under Grant.

Grant's hopes were a little dashed when he was assigned in training to a mechanized unit. But he hopes to be assigned to a horse troop later.

Redefined Parity Measure Is Passed

Washington, Dec. 3 —(P)—The House by unanimous consent today passed legislation redefining agricultural parity to include the costs of all farm labor, a step against which President Roosevelt expressed "unfavorable opposition" when anti-inflation proposals were before Congress two months ago.

At the time Parity redefinition was debated in the anti-inflation fight, one government office contended it might result in an increase in living costs of as much as \$3,500,000,000 a year.

Rep. Pace (D-Ga.), author of the measure, told the House he did not know what effects it might have on living costs.

The legislation now goes to the Senate.

Little Dick Farm to Be Given to Negroes

Little Rock, Dec. 3 —(P)—The Lake Dick farm, established by the Farm Security Administration in 1937 as an experimental cooperative resettlement project on 2,500 acres at Altheimer, Ark., will soon be converted to an all-Negro enterprise and operated on a share-cropper plan.

This was disclosed by an FSA spokesman in confirming reports of Pine Bluff Arsenal workers residing in some of the dwellings on the Lake Dick project that they had been given notice to vacate by January 1.

Farmers Must Have Proof for Deferment

Little Rock, Dec. 3 —(P)—Agricultural workers seeking draft deferment must supply their local

Dressed to Kill



Lester Hobbs Made First Lieutenant

Second Lieutenant Lester Hobbs, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Hobbs of Hope, has been promoted to first lieutenant, the family have learned. Lieutenant Hobbs is on duty with the ground forces of the Army Air Corps somewhere in the Caribbean sea.

draft boards with documentary proof that they are essential production workers on a farm.

State Selective Service headquarters yesterday established a production score card system for local board use in determining agricultural deferments under a Nov. 18 order designed to keep essential workers on the farm. The system fixes minimum standards to guide local boards, most of whom are unfamiliar with farming operations.

'No War News' Usually Means Bad News to German People

Axis Setbacks Are Concealed from the People Or Dribbled out in "Painlessly" Small Doses



Germany has newspapers and magazines aplenty, but... the people get as little truth from them as from radio newscasts.

By JEAN GRAFFIS
NEA Service Staff Writer and Former Berlin Correspondent

Germany's Fritz-in-the-street is getting badly twisted and Nazi-colored reports in his local newspapers and radio newscasts of the Allied sweep of French North Africa. Ditto Rommel's rout, the Allied advance in new Guinea, the successful Russian counter-offensives, our Solomon Island naval victory or any other bad news that comes along.

If the German people get wise to these things, it will have to be through deduction, grapevine or simple guess.

A squawk about the presentation of war news in Germany is worth about one life per squawk. Thus, no criticism is heard. Germans by the papers, hold them conspicuously in public, but rarely read them.

There's no use reading them, anyway. German papers print only what they are told to print. The Goebbels organization designates not only the content, length and display of a story, but indicates headlines and the editions it is to run. Three days after the U. S. A. and Germany went to war, the Voelkischer Beobachter of Berlin front page bannerlined this: "U. S. A. NO LONGER DEMOCRACIES"

Our Daily Bread

Fairbanks, Alaska.
We and the Japs can guess at the military importance of the road from the fact that in these times of scarce materials, equipment and manpower, it was pushed 1881 miles through one of the world's great wildernesses in seven months and 17 days. There are no submarines lurking under the Alcan Highway.

Coffee-Stretching

The experiment of a restaurant chain in trying to stretch its coffee supply with cereal substitutes has resulted in a resounding flop and an affected analogy.

Erstwhile may be good enough for Nazis, but apparently Americans prefer one cup of the real thing to several of a weak imitation.

an enemy defeat.
Although German troops had for several weeks been suffering terrible hardships on the eastern front, the facts went unmentioned and on January 3, 1942, the Voelkischer Beobachter diverted readers with: "AMBASSADOR SOUGHT COMPACT WITH BOLSHIEVICS AS EARLY AS 1937" ("Joseph Davies was for a military alliance between the Bolsheviks and the Democracies against Germany in 1937-38.")

If the German papers print significant news, it usually is "buried" in inside pages. A story of railroad sabotage in northern France in which 50 died and 30 were hurt was carried in fine type at the bottom of Page 4 of the Frankfurter Zeitung, January 4, 1942. A few issues later another half-hidden item announced a rail crash near Posen. The story claimed a blizzard had blotted out signal lights.

Winter Misery Concealed
German misery on the east front last winter was too intense to ignore forever. But Goebbels let the end out by minute degrees. The Voelkischer Beobachter, Zeitung of January 28, 1942, carried pictures without comment, showing an anti-aircraft battery on the northern sector of the Russian front, half-buried in snow.

Another view showed camouflaged soldiers without overcoats digging, runways out of the snow on an east front flying field. Very adroitly propaganda officials had placed in the next column, a view of sunny Calcutta, then expected to be the next Axis prize.

All this time, of course, urgent appeals were being made for ski boots, wool and warm turpices to be sent "direct to the front." Goebbels may have figured that Aryan Germans, being super-intelligent, could figure out for themselves the other details of the winter campaign.

WINTER SPECIALS TO MEET YOUR BUDGET

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Cranberry Cranberry Pie

Broadcast Dec. 3

1/2 cup Pet Milk 1/4 cup water
22 two-inch vanilla wafers 1/2 teaspoon salt
2 cups fresh cranberries 1 package lemon-flavored gelatin
1/2 cup sugar 1/2 cup boiling water

Chill milk until icy cold. Rub a deep 9-inch pie pan with vegetable oil. Then line bottom and sides of pan with vanilla wafers. Wash cranberries, dry thoroughly, then, through medium knife food chopper, or chop in wooden bowl. Mix together ground cranberries, sugar, water and salt. Heat to boiling. Chill while preparing the following: Dissolve gelatin in boiling water. Chill until slightly thickened, then add cold cranberry mixture and continue chilling until thick and syrupy. Whip chilled milk with rotary egg beater, or electric beater at high speed, until stiff. Fold into gelatin mixture. Pour wafer-lined pan. Chill until firm. If desired, garnish with sweetened, cooked cranberries just before serving.

*The same amount of chilled, canned cranberry sauce, cut into 1/4 inch cubes, may replace fresh cranberries if sugar, water and salt are omitted. Fold dried sauce into syrupy gelatin mixture.

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EGG MASH 100 Lb. 2.39

SALT 100 Lbs. 89c

Quaker

Dairy Feed 2.25

SOCIETY

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Social Calendar

Thursday, December 3rd.
The Pat Claburne chapter of the United Daughters of the Confederacy will meet at the home of Mrs. Charles Haynes, 3 o'clock, with Mrs. Gus Haynes associate hostess. A Christmas story will be told by Mrs. R. E. Jackson. Members are asked to bring contributions for the Veterans' hospital and gifts for two members of the local chapter residing at the Confederate home.

Friday, December 3rd
Contract Bridge club, some of Mrs. Ted Jones, 3 o'clock.
Birthday party honoring Master Dick Branch, the kindergarten rooms 3 o'clock.
Order of the Eastern Star, 7:30 p. m.

Saturday, December 4th
The December meeting of the Rose Garden club will be held at the home of Mrs. W. M. Canley with Mrs. O. A. Graves and Mrs. Aline Johnson associate hostesses, 3 o'clock.

Monday, December 7th
The Executive Board of the First Presbyterian church will meet at the church, 3 o'clock.
Circle No. 1 of the Women's Society of Christian Service will be entertained with a covered dish luncheon at the home of Mrs. R. D. Franklin, 1 o'clock.
Circle No. 2 of the Women's Society of Christian Service will meet

at the home of Mrs. W. G. Allison 3 o'clock.
Circle No. 4 of the W. S. C. S. will meet at the Methodist church, 3 o'clock. Hostesses will be Mrs. G. C. Stewart, Mrs. T. A. Williams, and Mrs. Ada Talley.

Tuesday, December 8th
A meeting of the Iris Garden club will be held at the home of Mrs. C. P. Tolleson with Mrs. Rob Jones, co-hostess. A pot luck luncheon will be served at 1 o'clock.

Haltom-Keith
On Wednesday afternoon, December 2, Miss Mabel Fayc Keith, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Keith of Hope, became the bride of Leroy L. Haltom, private, United States Army, at the home of the officiating minister, the Rev. W. P. Graves, pastor of the First Pentecostal church. Guests were relatives and close friends of the couple.

Mrs. Haltom plans to join Pvt. Haltom at Brownwood, Texas this month.

Pvt. Haltom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. M. P. Haltom of Hope.

Coming and Going

Bill Routon has reported to Camp Wollers, Texas, where he is stationed with the United States Army Corps.

After a visit with Mrs. Milton Eason and other relatives and friends, Captain Eason has returned to Nome, Alaska.

Miss Hattie Anne Feild is home from Little Rock, where she attended the funeral of Mrs. Sophia Feild Hunter.

Mrs. Max Cox spent the past 10 days in Dallas, the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Henry. She returned Tuesday.

Mrs. Harold Lawrence of Texarkana spent Friday to join Mr. Lawrence, who is an army flying instructor at San Marcos, Texas. Mrs. Lawrence is now visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. King, and sister, Mrs. Doyle Leaves, and Mr. Reeves.

Mrs. R. R. Forster and son "Ricky" of Shreveport are spending a few days with Mr. and Mrs. Alston Foster.

Mrs. Dudley Rouse is leaving tonight for Ft. Monmouth, N. J. to join Lt. Rouse, who is stationed there.

Major and Mrs. Davis, Mrs. Jack Casey, and Miss Frances McGill, all of Little Rock, and Miss Edna Stokes of Texarkana have been guests of Capt. and Mrs. Milton Eason.

Mrs. Garrett Story has gone to Minden to visit relatives.

A ton of waste paper will produce 47,000 boxes for small arms ammunition, 3,000 boxes for aerocannon shells, 1,000 packing cases for two-pounder shells, or 1,500 shell containers.

SOOTHES CHAFED SKIN
MOROLINE
WHITE PETROLEUM JELLY

'Chute, Not Zoot



An easy (on the eyes) way of saving material is demonstrated by Grace MacDonald, who introduces the 'chute suit.

Secy. Wickard Against Control Food Industry

Chicago, Dec. 3.—(AP)—Secretary Wickard declared today "I for one have no intention and no wish to fasten government controls in perpetuity upon the food industry."

"On the other hand, those who have the responsibility for the government's wartime food program should be prepared to take prompt action whenever action is necessary," the Secretary of Agriculture declared in an address prepared for a regional meeting on 1943 food goals.

"Already in this war I have seen the consequences of delay and wishful thinking too many times," he continued. "If reservation orders or rationing are necessary for food commodities, these orders should be put into effect without delay."

"The history of this war is that the situations grow worse instead of better and that every day of delay is extremely costly to all concerned."

Wickard said extreme care should be taken that government food policies are sound and in the public interest. Warlike, he asserted, "is not the time to carry out the pet theories of any group or class, or to institute reforms for reform's sake."

Air Cadet Killed in Crash, Walnut Ridge

Walnut Ridge, Dec. 3.—(AP)—Cadet Charles E. Thiede of Torrington, Ct., was killed instantly when his training plane crashed in a wooded area one mile east of the town, the 28th official said here Tuesday, officials announced today.

No One Responsible for Steam Explosion

Little Rock, Dec. 3.—(AP)—Governor Adkins said today the Board of Control of the Arkansas Boys Industrial school after investigation decided to hold no one responsible for a steam explosion at the Pine Bluff institution which resulted in the death of Robert Inzer, an inmate, last week.

Paroles Granted

Little Rock, Dec. 3.—(AP)—The state parole board granted paroles to 51 of the 88 applicants whose cases were heard yesterday.

Only a Suggestion
The town of Plunkville has a regulation against bare legs on the street. Flesh-colored hose were a problem. They solved that nicely by watching for the seam. Then, came seamless hose.

"How can I tell whether these girls have bare legs or not?" was the plaint of a policeman on guard.
"Pinen" "em," was the only suggestion he got.

Population of the United States proper is about 400 times as dense as that of Alaska.

THE EDGE OF DARKNESS

By WILLIAM WOODS

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

CHAPTER XVI

THE two girls, back home from the sacker, knickered side by side on the bed in Margit's room and impatiently watched Osterholm down in the courtyard, as he hitched two horses to a sleigh. "Look how he dawdles," she whispered tensely. "He won't be gone until dark."

"It's only quarter of three," Margit said, "do you realize it's his birthday. I have to make him so warm and quiet he'll forget everything. If I'm to be his wife!" She turned quickly. "Did he say anything when you gave him the note? Did he say he was sure he could come? Did he say it was all right?"

"There was no time. But he nodded to me. We had an officer watching us."

It was three o'clock by Karen's watch before the farmer had climbed into the seat, wrapped the blankets around him, and waving goodbye to them, trotted the horses out the path, and down onto the Namsos road. As soon as he was out of sight the girls leaped off the bed and clattered downstairs, keeping a sharp lookout for the housekeeper and the farm hands.

Margit, shivering, hugged her and kissed her cold cheek. The snow fell faster through the crisp and quiet air. "Get back before sunup," she said, "Get back before anybody comes." And then she watched in the lowering twilight as Karen, carrying the knapsack over her shoulders, slid off silently over the first rise.

The evening came very fast, and brought a cold wind cutting from the northwest. Up in the forest, the dark, ice-laden spruce hung heavy down, casting gray shadows over the valley below, and the brook, when Karen crossed it, was a frozen series of slender stalactites, drooping shelf on shelf downward from the hills. When she got to the bare and desolate fields she traveled faster, came down in a long glide to the saucer cottage, swirled about, and stopped to catch her breath. Then she slipped off the knapsack, unbuckled her skis, and opened the door to the dark house.

MARGIT was the only one who knew everything, from the beginning. It was to her that Karen had poured out the whole story when she came back, giddy and frightened from her first meeting with Karl. "Oh, Margit, Margit, he really loves me," she had cried. "What must I do?" It was as if she had once pretended

to be a woman, and now could no longer be a girl.

So they had talked it over, Margit more frightened than ever when she saw how serious her friend was about this most dangerous affair.

"But he's German," she had said. "He's an enemy."

Once, in the midst of a quarrel, the younger girl had shouted, "I'll kill you if you say another word. If I could trust you I'd tell you why, but I will not stop seeing him."

So Margit had fallen silent, and said never another word. She had seen the weeks pass, counted their stolen meetings, and prayed no trouble would come of it.

NIGHT after night, ignoring her father's scoldings, Karen had slept at the farm. She had grown quiet and thoughtful, and full of a strength and decision that not even Margit had ever suspected in her.

She looked at her watch. It was later than she thought, so she got an old broom out of the corner and began to sweep, then dusted, and got three red pillows down out of the wardrobe for the chairs, and when the cottage was all clean and in order, she took the things from the knapsack were laid out on the table, last of all, she went to the shed, collected wood, and brought it back in.

The flames spread and grew as if the logs were tinder, crackling and roaring with the wind down the chimney. The whole cottage became bright, and gradually a warmth spread into the farthest corners. Half an hour later, going out to get water for cooking, she was surprised to see how cheerful the little yellow windows looked in the middle of the dark field.

Then it was not long and she heard his loud halloo outdoors, and jumped, trembling, fussed at the white cloth, looked for matches, lighted the candles on the table, then ran and flung open the door. "Karl," she cried. "Karl!" He threw up an arm in greeting and swirled about in a great circle in the darkness. She plunged out into the snow meet him.

"Happy birthday, Karl. Happy birthday," she danced about excitedly, nearly losing her balance in the drifts. He unbuckled his skis and propped them up next to hers at the door. "Where have you been?" she cried. "I thought you'd never come. I was sure something had happened."

He laughed, flung an arm about her shoulders, and took one last look out at the field. "Well, wife, it's a long story. Just as I was leaving my last class, the Dean

He Needs a Lift



Albert H. Seifert, 18-years old weighing 70-pounds and stands 4-feet 5-inches tall signs his draft questionnaire at a local board in Pittsburgh, Pa. The local board happens to be a south side police station and officer P. J. Kelly had to hold him to enable him to sign his draft papers.

Aussies To Learn How To Forge

Melbourne (AP)—Australian troops will be taught how to forage for food in the bush country just as the black aborigines of Australia do.

A new instruction course, designed to make troops self-sustaining if they are cut off from supplies, was announced today.

The troops will learn that: Roots of certain trees contain water; Four teaspoons of water are obtainable from a frog dug out of dried mud; Certain spruces, sirs, lucerne, nettles, and salubus are usable substitutes for spinach;

Big white and pink witchetty or pellicle grubs are a native delicacy; Ant eggs toasted on a hot stone taste like bread;

The bark of certain trees, when crushed and thrown into a creek, will dope the fish and cause them to come to the surface within an hour. It is not claimed that this sort of diet is satisfying, but it would keep a man alive for weeks.

There is more unreserved public opinion in Alaska than in all the states combined.

Hollywood

By ROBBIN COONS
Wide World Features Writer

Hollywood—

"Journey for a Margaret" is a story of children in war, and it pleads their cause eloquently. In so doing, it becomes a powerful appeal for the war effort and the defeat of enemies who have subverted the young to bombs and fire and the consequent wracking of their emotional and nervous systems.

Margaret is one of the waifs rescued from a blitzed London home and taken to a children's home where sympathetic understanding as well as physical care is given. She is a terrified, pitiful little object, dry-eyed, clutching the one tie she has with "home"—her "imaginesium" bomb. A young American correspondent, doing a story on the home, is "adopted" by the children, particularly by Margaret and a little boy he previously had pulled from the rubble of another blitz.

With sidelights on the effective use of sound psychology in treating the children's war fears, the story deals with the newsman's efforts to win passage for the pair back to New York and his wife, who herself had lost an expected child during a London bombing.

Robert Young, Loraine Day, Fay Bainter are excellent, but the children—5-year-old Margaret O'Brien with no kiddie coyness whatever, gives a sensational dramatic performance, with a crying scene that makes you want to go personally—and kick Hitler in the pants.

More remote from today's strife is Mervyn LeRoy's filming of James Hilton's "Random Harvest."

Great Guns!

Greer Garson and Ronald Colman are involved in this romance, best of the current "amnesia cycle." Colman is the World War I memory-losing veteran, befriended and married by showgirl Garson. It is no surprise when an a restorer his former identity as a man of wealth, obliterating his memory of the romantic interlude. Nor is it surprising that the wife turns up as his quietly efficient secretary, hiding her identity and suffering in silence while he seeks the missing link with his past and incidentally becomes engaged to attractive Susan Peters. Overly long, "Random Harvest" is still a tender and moving love story, acted and directed sensitively, and just the thing for those who haven't enjoyed a good cry lately over fictional woes. Watch Susan Peters.

"The Black Swan" is magnificently Technicolor swashbuckling, adventure, romance, plus pirates in the days of Sir Henry Morgan, the reformed buccancer. Tyrone Power (training for the e Mexico) leaps, jumps, duels for love. Mureen O'Hara. Also present, Laird Cregar and George Sanders, who even without a fierce red beard can commit scenic grand larceny under the noses of Hollywood's best.

Swedish Fishermen Get Tax Exemption

Stockholm (AP)—In an effort to stimulate the fishing industry that government has announced that fishermen will receive an exemption of 30 per cent of the war profits tax on surplus income. Fish has become more important part of the small amounts of meat and other foodstuffs allowed under rationing.

Jeep Vs. Mule In Climbing Test

Colorado Springs, Colo. (AP)—It's a jeep versus mule argument that rages among soldiers of Camp Carson artillery pack units.

The soldiers are seeking a spot, on nearby Pikes Peak, where they can test the respective climbing ability of the famed Army mule and his new cousin, the motorized jeep.

An attempted census of the uses of wood once reached a count of 4,500 without even approaching a full or exhaustive classification.

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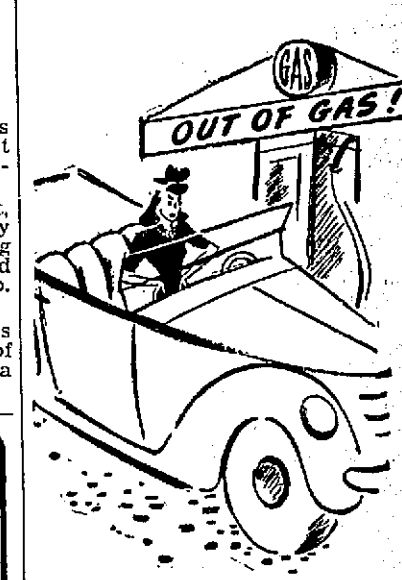
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Sergt. Vincent Zekas has cause to grin. Gunner on a U. S. Army plane, he saw his first Jap Zero on a raid over Buna, brought it down.

UPTREND IN BIRTHS
Birth statistics of the United States for 1941 reveal a birth rate of 18.8 against 17.9 the preceding year; a total of more than 2,500,000 babies born (pretest number since 1921's 2,600,000); and that births exceed deaths by 1,000,000.



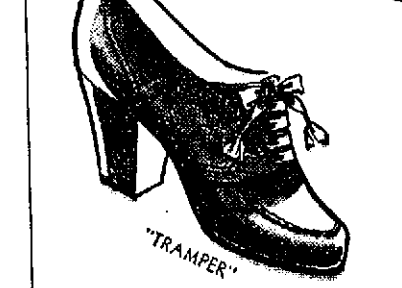
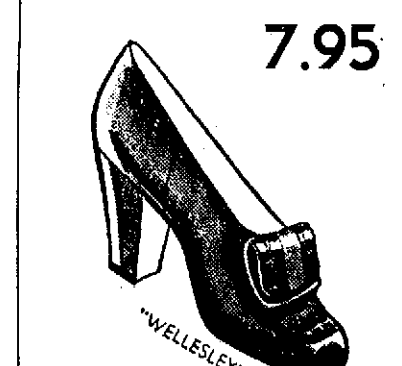
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By GEORGE TUCKER
Wide World Features Writer

New York — I'm not sure I know
how to begin this. This is one of
the last columns I'm going to
write. For the duration anyway.
When you see this I'll be on my
way to Cairo. I'm going over to
take a part in the war. Not as a
soldier, but as a reporter, as a
war correspondent.

I'm going because it's what I'd
rather do than anything in this
world — and because I'm lucky.
You've got to be lucky to get in on
the biggest news story that has
come along since the story of re-
action. There isn't a newspaperman
in the country who wouldn't chop
off his toes for the chance. I know
I would. And I'm very, very happy.

When I was a kid in Lake
Charles, La., reading "The Dare
Boys on the Brandywine" and
"Surrey of Eagle's Nest" I used
to wish I had been born a long
time ago so I could have been
with Lighthorse Harry Lee or
been with Pickett at Gettysburg.

But I was wrong. If I'd been
born then I'd never have known
about Krakow and Corfu and Ba-
taan and Rangoon and the Solomon
Islands. I'd never had a
chance to span an ocean on wings,
and follow an army through the
western desert, or go into India and
Turkey and Iraq, or ride into Je-
rusalem on a jackass. But I was
lucky. By an accident of time now
or all these things are mine now.

I've been writing about New
York for ten years. That's a long
time. During that time more than
six thousand of you have written
me letters. Those letters came
from little cow towns and big street
towns and from cities and hamlets
and little hideaway villages between
here and Shanghai and Honolulu
and Juneau and wherever this col-
umn has appeared.

Answering those letters and writ-
ing about the things I have seen
on Broadway and along the water-
front and at Harlem — chicken heav-
ens operated by Father Divine has
been one whole of an experience.

I was in on the Lindbergh kid-
napping story, and to the best of
my knowledge I was the first news-
paperman in New York who got
his hands on the name of Bruno
Richard Hauptmann, that stoic
ex-machine — gunner of the Kaiser's
army who was convicted of killing
the Lindbergh baby and sent to the
chair.

I saw Prohibition die, and with
it that curious, bitter blossom of
the prohibition years — the speak-
easy. A few of those speak-easies
successfully negotiated the transi-
tion to legality and today they are
among our better known restau-
rants and nightclubs. But the great
majority of them died as they lived,
behind closed doors and draw
shutters.

I knew Billy Rose when he was
a song — plugger and before he
became a sort of improbable half-
pint Colossus of the theater — a
cabaret world whose idea of living
space in New York apartment
was a nice over — size warehouse
and who still hopes some day to
take a small Balkan war on tour.

I knew Will Rogers and Lil Tash-
man and Cagney Perkins, and with
them — Tex Guinan, Helen Mor-
gan, Daniel Fehman, Conde Nast,
Haywood Brown, John Barrymore,
and Alice Brady. When I first came
to New York they were great
names in the literary and theatri-
cal worlds, but they are all dead
now, and so is O. O. McIntyre and
many, many others.

But times change, and so does
man's sense of values.
(Tomorrow: That question
"Why?")

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Royal Navy Honors
London (AP) — Alongside the names
of many famous British naval officers,
listed in the oldest Petty Officers'
mess in the Royal Navy, now appear
the names of four sergeants in the
United States Army.

They are Staff Sergeant William
R. Groom of Fort Worth, Texas, Ser-
geants Leonard C. Reini and Edward
G. Visser of Washington D. C., and
Sergeant Claude S. Elsea of Sale
Creek, Tennessee, who became hon-
orary members of the mess after com-
pleting two months of special train-
ing at H. M. S. Excellent, the Royal
Naval gunnery school.

The mess is the chief instructors'
mess for gunners' mates, and was
founded in 1832 in the old H. M. S.
Charlotte, the ship which
preceded the present shore estab-
lishment.

Result of Early Habits

Two men were discussing the rea-
sons for success and failure.
"A good deal depends on the for-
mation of early habits," said Howell.
"I know it," replied Powell. "When
I was a baby, my mother hired a wo-
man to wheel me about, and I have
been pushed for money ever since."

Fight — Not Bite

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for his physical was told by the medi-
co that he was fit.
The man said, "But, Doc, I haven't
any teeth," and showed the doctor.
The reply was, "We want you to
fight, not bite, the Japs."

Hold Everything



"I said 'mark time!' Well,
what's the joke?"

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No More Secret Sorrow



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Sinkwich First Player to Pass 2000 Yard Mark

By ARNOLD, DERLITZKI
Chicago, Dec. 3 —(AP)—The 1942 college football season's most proficient individuals when it came to making a football produce yardage were Frankie Sinkwich of Georgia, Rudolph (Little Doc) Mobley of Hardin-Simmons, and Ray Evans of Kansas.

Sinkwich, in accounting for 2,187 yards, became the first player in modern history to pass the 2,000 mark in total offense (pushing and rushing). Mobley's 1,281 yards by rushing alone was another modern record, while Evans became the second man ever to complete more than 100 forward passes. Evans finished with 101, which is 13 short of the record established last year by Bud Schwenk of Washington University, St. Louis.

The nation's No. 1 punter among those kicking 30 or more times was Bobby Clifton of Tennessee with a 42.89 yard average. Closely behind came North Carolina State's Art Faircloth with 42.2.

A pass receiving champion remained to be settled between Allen Rogers of Texas A. and M. and Fred Salem of Texas Mines. Each had caught 36, Rogers gaining 417 yards and Salem 401. However, one of Texas Mines games had not been reported and Rogers still has one game to play, the American Statistical Bureau reported in releasing today's tabulations.

In addition to the new marks by Sinkwich (who bettered the 1,928 total by Schwenk in 1941) and Mobley (who topped Colorado's Whizzer White's 1,121 total in 1937), two other records were tied.

Bill Dutton of Pittsburgh equalled the ball carrying attempts Sinkwich set last year in winning rushing honors. However, Bob Kennedy of Washington State needs to carry the ball only seven times against the Texas Aggies this week to boost his total to 210 and a new record.

The other figure tied was that of 19 touchdown passes by Columbia's Paul Gorenfeld. Dave O'Brien of Texas Christian completed the same number in 1937.

Among the statistical oddities was the fact that Tulsa, while carrying off team punting honors, failed to place a man among the individual leaders. The statistical bureau pointed out that this was because none of Tulsa's kickers punted the necessary 30 times. However, Glenn Dobbs, with 26 of his team's 50 punts, had the extremely high average of 48.3 yards.

Deaths Last Night

William Westbury
Coniston, N. Y., Dec. 3 —(AP)—William Westbury, 72, a pioneer in the manufacture of glass by machinery, died last night.

The two principal Canadian woods used for aircraft are Sitka Spruce of British Columbia and Yellow Birch of eastern Canada.



Keeping warm these horse-and-buggy days

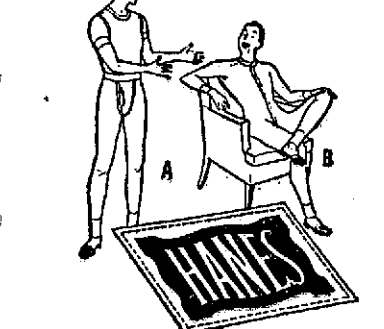
You haven't actually traded in your auto for a buggy. But you are out in the air more. And you'll be more comfortable if you change from summer underwear to mid-weight HANES WINTER SETS.

These garments are warm enough outdoors without being too hot indoors. You'll like them especially if you're conserving fuel with a cooler house this winter.

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BUY WAR BONDS AND STAMPS

American Fighters In South Seas Crave Just—"Pogie-Bait"



Highest bid was \$100 for 24 bars of chocolate. It was refused.

Below is the third of six eyewitness reports written by Sherman Montrose, Acme News-pictures cameraman, who landed with the Marines on Guadalcanal last August, and whose pictures were distributed to newspapers of the country through the "photographic pool." He has just returned to San Francisco from his assignment where he and his equipment are undergoing repairs.

By SHERMAN MONTROSE
Written for NEA Service
San Francisco, Dec. 3.—Our Marines, Army and Navy and Coast Guard men in the South Seas—they ain't got no "pogie-bait."

And that's what they want most of anything.

They could take the bombings and the sniping and they could get along without vegetables and fresh meat. They wouldn't yearn so much for the bright lights and the movies and the friends—if only they had some "pogie-bait."

Candy—just candy. And there isn't any.

It's hard to realize how keen is the craving for sweets until you see a Marine without "pogie-bait" for many a long month.

The term—though not the craving—dates back to old sailing ship days. It seems there was a captain whose cabinboy, named "Pogie," could be bribed only with offers of candy. Hence, "Pogie-bait."

Quickly Gobbled Up
There's no price ceiling on "pogie-bait"—because any regular supply of chocolate or any other candy doesn't exist. If and when it does, the sky's the limit.

Pilots landing on Henderson Field, Guadalcanal, can ask and get their own prices if they bring a spot of pogie-bait. Fighting men line the runways when the big B-17's land, waiting for a crack at bargaining with the men aboard.

A horse-trading Marine and a sharp pilot can dicker for an hour over ultimate possession of a couple of bars of gummy chocolate.

Highest bid, until the time I left, was \$100 for 24 bars of a popular brand of chocolate. The offer was refused. The chocolate was worth more. That's pogie-bait.

Standard exchange for barter purposes is Japanese money. New

arrivals at Guadalcanal—and they were coming in constantly—haven't seen much of the stuff. They think it's great, and can look forward to swagging around home with it. Your souvenir-gathering Marine has pockets full of yen and sen notes as well as occupation currency, made in Tokyo and carried in by the invaders when they first occupied the Solomons.

Next in bargaining value come trophies captured from the enemy. Their monetary value is established at what you can get for them—or what you're willing to part with in exchange for pogie-bait.

All Goes For "Pogie-Bait"
For instance, there are Japanese personal battle flags. They're fairly common, but swell souvenirs. Early in the game, the Marines learned that most Japanese fighters carry two-foot squares of silk with insignia of the Rising Sun inside their helmets. Most of these are inscribed with delicately brushed names of friends and relatives.

A well-inscribed flag taken from a foe may be a Marine's most treasured personal possession. But he'll trade it for pogie-bait. If you want some, the price you pay in coin of the realm may range from \$5 to \$50, but a bar of candy is worth its weight in gold.

Captured Japanese rifles—25 caliber—rate high as trade mediums. The Marines have plenty of them, and in the early stages of the Solomons battle they brought fancy figures.

Nipponese bayonets have a good value because they can be filed into ferocious-looking sheath knives, and hung on the belt. They are good for in-fighting. Marines take a savage joy in using captured weapons against their original owners.

The Marine who has captured a pair of Japanese field glasses, a samurai sword, a katana knife, or a Jap pistol (Luger automatic) is really in a position to bargain for pogie-bait.

Only Japanese officers carry swords and pistols. These treasured items are comparatively scarce. About \$100 U. S. money is opening barter figures.

Against the only items the Marines consider valueless are the pictures carried by the Japanese soldiers. Most of these are on the salacious side and don't appeal to the Marine fighting man.

I've seen a Marine take one look at a picture salvaged from the pocket of a prone foe, tear up the photo and murmur something that would curl a Jap's hair.



SPORTS ROUNDUP

By HUGH FULLERTON, JR.
Wide World Sports Columnist

New York, Dec. 3 —(AP)—Since the end of the baseball season, a raw end of sports writers—excluding the one—have been tossing odd ideas about how the major leagues might operate in 1943. The answer from the magnates meeting in Chicago seems to be: "We ain't having any, thanks."

Whether they are victims of ingrained disinclination to change their ways, or are hesitating to rush in where angels fear to tread is more than we can say right now, but apparently there's no intention of trying out any new plans until all the old ones have failed.

Page Mr. Webster
In case you've been curious about Balata since this talk has come up about using it for the cores of baseballs, researchers show it's a gum derived from the milky juice of the balata tree (Mimosa Glaberrima) which grows in Central America and the West Indies. The encyclopedia Britannica says it's "really an inferior form of Gutta Percha."

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padding airplane cockpits and it ought to be put on the priority list. It ought to be put on the priority list. It ought to be put on the priority list.

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Great Lakes Is Nation's Best Service Team

New York, Dec. 3 —(AP)—The Great Lakes Naval Training Station football team, strong enough to have blanked seven of its 11 foes this season, is the nation's leading service team in the opinion of 91 sports writers polled by the Associated Press.

The sailors, don't complete their schedule until Saturday against Notre Dame in Chicago but 50 of the voters decided that no matter what the outcome the Sailors are the best.

Although the Army produced two teams late in August that were good enough to hold their own with various clubs from the National League the Navy snared the first six places among the top ten and also had the Pensacola Flyers in the eighth spot.

The Camp Grant squad, beaten by Great Lakes, 33 to 0, was the best soldier outfit, in the opinion of the voters, and took over seventh place with 151 points, compared to the 812 collected by Great Lakes.

The standing of the teams (first place votes in parentheses, points figured on 10-9-8-7 etc. basis):

First Ten
Great Lakes N.T.S. (50) 812
Iowa Pre-Flight (12) 773
Georgia Pre-Flight (12) 743
North Carolina Pre-Flight (12) 501
California Pre-Flight (11) 527
Jacksonville N.A.S. 386
Camp Grant 351
Pensacola N.A.S. 315
Manhattan Beach Coast Guard 89
Corpus Christi N.A.S. 89

Other teams figuring in the balloting: Second Force (Fort George Wright, Wash.) 80; Fort Knox, Ky., 66; Lakehurst, N. J., Naval Air Station 43; Fort Monmouth, N. J., 35; Fort Riley, Kas., 13; Camp Davis, N.C., 6; March Field, Calif., 5; Fort Belvoir, Calif., 3; Fort Totten, N. Y., and Spence Field, Fla., 2 each; Camp Shelby, Miss., Fort Douglas, Utah, and Daniel Field, Fla., 1 each.

Hollywood

By ROBBIN COONS
Wide World Features Writer

Hollywood — Walter Pidgeon is an excellent actor but he can play Walter Pidgeon too. You saw a very good performance of Walter Pidgeon in "Mrs. Miniver."

Miniver was an English business man, a family man, a gentleman, a man's man, down to earth and good-humored. Pidgeon is all of these, only he's an American business man whose business happens to be acting.

Since "Mr. Miniver" his name is considered one of the hottest, to use trade jargon, on the screen. Fans want Pidgeon pictures. They will get him again soon in "White Caro," and so many films have been mentioned for him that he himself does not know what's next. Most likely "Madame Curie," again with Greer Garson.

This would not be Hollywood if Pidgeon, now successful, had not once flopped here. He was a star in the musical craze of a decade ago, and disappeared with the craze. He went to Chicago and spent a year "trying to learn how to sing—I thought it only fair as I was supposed to be a singing star."

But then he saw the old handwriting. He saw romantic singers who could still sing but who no longer looked romantic. He went to New York and became a straight actor.

When Hollywood beckoned him back from stage successes there, he could afford to say no. Universal wanted him for "Show Boat" with Irene Dunne and offered \$1,000 a week, or \$8,000 for the picture. They raised it to \$1,500, and Walter still said "Don't be ridiculous."

Pressed for his own price, he said \$50,000. They flinched.

Quickly the word spread that Pidgeon was "a \$50,000 man and refusing less." He got more offers, at his price, than he could handle. What nobody ever knew was that he would not have played "Show Boat" for any fee. He didn't want to sing.

He was selling bonds in Boston when Fred Astaire heard him sing at a party, suggested he try show business. The ex-bond salesman recently toured Canada, however, put over the third Canadian Victory Loan. It was over—subscribed by \$225,000,000. This was his first visit to his home town, St. John, New Brunswick, in 21 years.

He had left when his first wife died in childbirth. Their daughter, Edna (nicknamed "Pidge") now lives with him and the second Mrs. Pidgeon, the former Ruth Walker, in his Beverly Hills.

In his bond tour sent him traveling a month. When Pidgeon travels, unless it's on later type trains, he sleeps little. He can't fit his six-foot-three into the average six-foot berth.

When traveling, too, he may be found in his hotel rooms washing his own socks. With a pair of the biggest feet in pictures—size 13 shoe—he wears size 12 socks which he has difficulty replacing. He washes his own for fear a laundry might shrink them.

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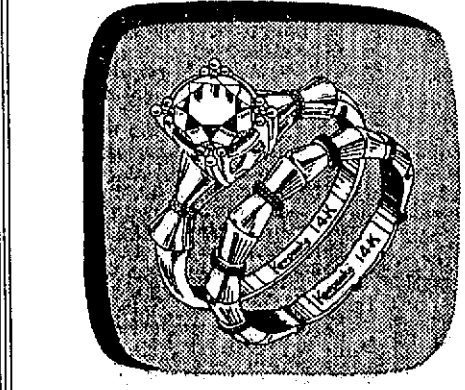
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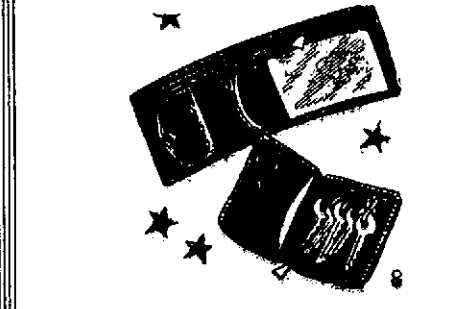
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Although this is a sale every purchaser of a genuine Keepsake article will receive this certificate.



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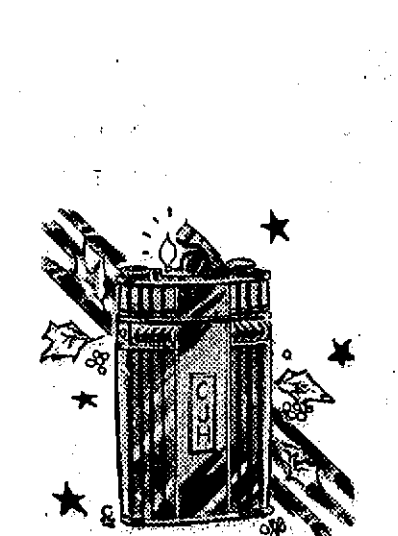


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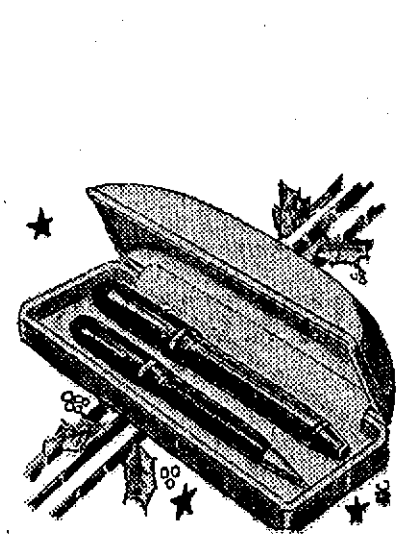
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Camouflage Course Saves Lots of Lives in Actual Combat

By JAMES TO. CARTER

Jefferson Barracks, Mo., Dec. 3.—Rural peace reigned on the heavily wooded bluff; the wind in the sycamores made scarcely more sound than the old Mississippi gliding by below.

Except for our party, and a flock of wild geese on the opposite bank of the river, there wasn't a living thing to be seen.

Then came the quiet voice of Captain Ben Caldwell:

"Prepare yourselves for a shock. You don't know it, but within a few feet of where you're standing there's a dozen soldiers. They're looking at you now."

"I strained my eyes at the true of oaks and sycamores, at clumps of brush—and saw nothing."

"Are you trying to kid us, Captain?" I asked the camouflage instructor who was showing us some of the tricks of the skilled camouflage.

"No," he replied. "I'm not kidding you. Up, men! Show yourselves!"

"And up from the ground not far from our very feet, some almost close enough to reach out and touch, sprang 12 of the toughest-looking soldiers imaginable, their uniforms covered by burlap bags painted with woody green spots, their helmets bristling with twigs and leaves."

Only a week or so before they had been bow-legged cowboys from the plains of Texas; business men from New York and Chicago; drug store clerks, taxi drivers, farmers.

"But now at this huge basic training center for the Army Air Forces Technical Training Command they

were being whipped into shape to serve Uncle Sam in one of the most important commands of the armed forces.

Although you never hear much about the ground crew of an airplane—those 10 to 20 men necessary to sustain each of the huge number of planes we are producing—they, too, just like the brave pilots you do hear about, will see active duty on the world's battlefronts.

With a party of aviation and military writers I made a tour of this historic Army post to see how, in less than a month's time, thousands of enlisted men in the AAF are going on to technical schools to more fully prepare for their chosen careers as the unsung heroes of the Army Air Forces.

The camouflage course is only one phase of their basic training here, and although the speed with which they shoot through this post before moving on makes it of necessity a short one, Captain Caldwell says it "saves more lives than the medical corps."

Whether in a fog-shrouded Aleutians, the blazing hot Solomons or the sandy desert wastes of North Africa, these men, although most of them never get into the air, may be called upon at any time to build artificial rocks, ammunition dumps, neve mock planes and mock airports, to fool the enemy and save themselves from destruction.

"See that rock over there?" Captain Caldwell asked. "It's nothing but painted burlap stretched over a frame of chicken wire. The ally

place we just passed hides 30 men and a hundred boxes of shells. It's just a depression covered by a wire net strewn with leaves, but if it wasn't there, and the enemy came over, those men benat it wouldn't come home."

"We walked on further through the damp countryside until we came to an artificial airport, complete with a fake P40 airplane, railroad track leading to it and an administration hut."

"That plane is simply burlap stretched over wire shaped like a plane," Captain Caldwell said.

"That railroad is 2 X 4 timbers laid on 'ties' that are just black paint on the bare ground. The shack was made the same as the plane."

"But from the air the layout looks real—real enough to cause the enemy to bomb it and real enough to save the genuine airports, maybe miles away, from the enemy's missiles."

It was easy to see why the camouflage course is such an important part of the basic training.

Now come along while we look into just what else happens to the trainee at this thousand-acre post.

In the first week, Joe Smith listens to lectures on military discipline and courtesy, hygiene and Allied topics; stands physical ability tests and examinations leading to his classification for service or school; gets his "shots" against disease and is outfitted with all his uniforms.

Now Joe looks a little more like a soldier and he begins to walk straighter as the 12 day drill period starts and he learns the basic facings, movements and marches.

After a full day's session with the rifle, he's taught the manual of arms, following this with another day on the rifle range. Next come the fundamentals of the pistol and machine gun, a brief but thorough coaching in the use of the gas

Bundles For the Boys



NEA Service Telephone

Bundles of United States currency that goes to the entire enlisted personnel at the big Army Air Forces Combat Crew School at Tarrant Field, just west of Fort Worth, Texas. It's just before the soldiers' day of days—pay day the last of the month, and Lt. Norman W. Houston, Tarrant Field finance officer, seated, starts proceedings by drawing the money from a bank. Armed escort sees that nobody interferes.

Many Legislators to Have Pet Bill Ready by January

(Editor's note: This is a follow-up on the Associated Press series based on a poll of the 1943 legislature. It summarizes some of the special matters individual members intend to present. Other articles in a similar vein will appear from time to time as occasion warrants.)

By ED L. CAMPBELL
Little Rock, Dec. 2.—(AP)—A favorite American chant is the "ancient" . . . There ought to be a law!

And the men who make the laws for Arkansas are already to oblige.

Name the subject and one or more of the 135 legislators probably already has a bill drafted to cover it.

When the Associated Press polled the legislators on six major topics recently, it incidentally dropped the bars and invited the solons to send in brief descriptions of any "pet bills" they intended to introduce.

Many of the m asserted they planned none. But there were some highly interesting offerings.

Most prolific was Senator Julian James of Jonesboro. In previous articles the Associated Press has explained his proposed bill to change the system of assessing and paying taxes and his bill to reorganize the state's congressional districts. In addition, James proposes:

1. A cancer control program along the lines suggested by the late Rep. Leo Nyberg of Helena, sponsor of the legislation that resulted in the present elaborate state tuberculosis hospital system.
2. Changes (unspecified) in the state aeronautics law of which James was the 1941 sponsor.
3. A requirement that birth certificates be issued free to parents of all children born in Arkansas. (He did not say whether this would apply only to future births or be retroactive. The State Health Department now charges fifty cents certificates.)
4. A bill to require that all school buses be painted red, white and blue.

"There are too many other buses and trucks painted the same color as our school buses," explained James, who during his campaign last summer won the soubriquet "Fixed Piper" through his use of Jonesboro school children as volunteer campaign workers.

"Many a time our motorists are mask, the camouflage course I have already described, and, if he passes the final review, he enters the "exposed" stage during which he is assigned to one of the many fatigue or work details essential to the maintenance of a large Army camp while he awaits shipment out.

It is at this basic training center, then, and at others at Keeler Field, Miss.; Sheppard Field, Texas; Atlantic City, N.J.; Kearns, Utah, and Miami Beach and St. Petersburg in Florida, that Joe Smith starts on the road to becoming an integral part of the Army Air Forces that fight around the world.

Proud of the part of so startling out thousands of men a month is the post commandant, Colonel Allen Kimberly, 57, a native of Hampton, Va., and a graduate of the Virginia Military Institute, who has been an Army officer since 1907.

When you meet him, his healthy red face breaks into a genuine grin of pleasure and he says, "Come on, jump in my jeep and I'll show you around."

He points out the four air-conditioned post theaters, each seating a thousand men; the open-air Sylvan Springs theater, where 6,000 can see show at one time; the post Exchange with its eight branches so the men won't have to walk too far to buy a package of cigarettes at less than half a cent above wholesale cost.

Then he tells you that out of 22,000 men on the post, there are only eight general prisoners; that out of that vast total there are only 238 hospital cases and that it is his belief that these astonishingly small percentages are due to the recreational facilities at Jefferson barracks, keeping up morale and health at the same time.

right up on a school bus and do not know it. If they were all painted the same color, those motorists would know that there was a school bus ahead. Then, too, these patriotic colors would not do any harm, in fact, think it would help a lot."

Senator George Steel, Nashville, wrote that illness had prevented him from carrying out plans to draft a bill to "redefine, clarify and attempt to simplify the primary election laws." That would

be a major undertaking and, in view of various recent developments regarding state and federal elections, may be developed by some other solon.

Some of the legislators are cagey. Witness a senator who declined to permit use of his name but wrote "I have several (pet bills) in mind but all are along economy lines and if I discussed them in detail now, it might arm some of the Bureau's to resist." Rep. Herbert Strickland of Altus also confided that he was considering introducing two bills but declined to go into details.

Rep. R. L. Blair, Melbourne, speaking for the "boys up the creek," said he favored a bill requiring that dipping vats be "charged" at state expense and that their operation be placed under the farm extension service.

Farmers are how educated to the value of tick eradication," Blair said. "Finances are the only thing in the way of the program. A tick eradication program, properly and economically financed, would go a long way toward promotion of our livestock program."

Rep. C. L. Herndon, Mount Id-

Jailers Make A Jail Break

Clarksburg, W. Va., (AP)—Jailers had to "break" a willing prisoner out the city lockup recently. The man in the cell was due to get out, but the key wouldn't work.

Sergeant E. F. Armsler, Jr., with a firm grip on the hammer, pounded at the lock. The city's scarp pile was increased with a half-pound of battered brass.

Owners of radium within 500 miles of the Pacific and Atlantic coasts have been urged by the U. S. Bureau of Standards to take immediate air-raid precautions.

Herndon also proposed a legal reform to permit six inches of 12-man circuit court juries to try misdemeanor cases and civil cases involving less than 10,000. He said this would require a constitutional amendment, indicating he might propose one along that line.

He said he would like to support the measure looking to the relief of the chancellors who he said are not doing "from twice to five times the amount of work done in circuit court."

A newcomer to the House, Rep. Laud Payne, Piggott, is a newspaperman and, as such, has the worries of his profession at heart. Pointing out that many newspapermen are already in the armed services and many more preparing to go, Payne said he favored a bill that would protect the publications now in the field.

"I think that if a paper which has a right to handle legal publications is forced to shut down for the duration because of lack of a working force or because the publisher enters service, that paper when it resumes publication after the war, should be permitted to publish legal notices again without having to wait the statutory one year."

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State's Bond Debt Is Slightly Reduced

Little Rock, Dec. 3.—(AP)—Arkansas' bonded debt is \$145,025,524—only \$1,000,750 lower than it was last year.

Treasurer Earl Page said the reduction was the smallest in recent years and attributed it to highway refunding operations.

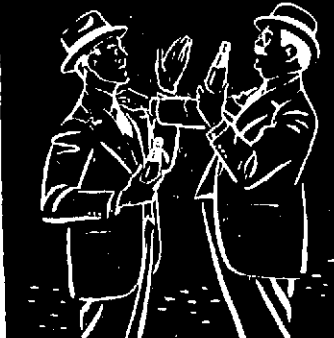
Annual reductions of several million dollars were effected in the past by lenders. No lenders have been made on interest-bearing securities since adoption of the 1941 highway refunding law.

The state will make its first principal payment on the \$130,330,557 highway bonds next April 1 when \$1,788,557 will be taken off the total. Succeeding annual principal payments will increase until maturity in 1972.

Other state bonded debt ranges from the \$20,000 Arkansas state college library bonds to the \$6,118,000, confederate pension bond issue.

Feather river, California, was named by its discoverers because of the quantities of wild duck feathers they found floating on its surface.

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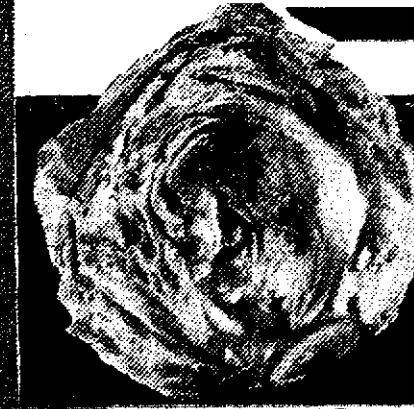
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